(c) what is the precise controversy and what is the precise status of these students and graduates and what steps are being taken to resolve the issues involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) The students being trained at the University College of Medical Sciences are awarded MBBS degree by the Delhi University which is a recognised medical qualification for the purposes of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) There was some confusion regarding recognition of degree awarded to students of UCMS. The position has been clarified by the Central Government on 6-4-90. This has also been confirmed by the Medical Council of India.

**Pending power projects of NTPC**

31. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have inordinately delayed in giving clearance to some of the projects of the National Thermal Power Corporation;

(b) if so, what are the details of the projects which are awaiting clearance for over four months; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay and what steps are being taken to expedite the same?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) The details of the NTPC'S projects awaiting clearance for over four months is given in the statement. (See below) These projects are under various stages of processing for investment approval which is considered after the projects are techno-econo-mically appraised by the Central Electricity Authority and various inputs, such as, fuel linkages etc. are tied up and all clearances, including that from the environmental angle, are available.

**Statement**

| Sl. No. | Name of the Project | Location | Capacity (MW) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Rihand Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) Stage-II | Sonebhadra District, Uttar Pradesh | 1000 |
| 2 | Manuguru STPP Stage-I | . Khammam District, Andhra Pradesh | 1000 |
| 3 | Chandrapur STPP Stage-I.., | . Chandrapur District, Mahrarasthra | 1000 |
| 4 | Yamunanagar STPP Stage-I. | . Ambala District, Haryana | 840 |
| 5 | Anta Gas based power project Stage-II | . Kota District, Rajasthan | 430 |
| *6* | Dadri Gas based power project Stage-II | . Ghaziabad District, Uttar Pradesh | 408 |

| S. No. | Name of the Project | Location, | Capacity (MW) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Kayamkulam STPP Stage-I. | AUeppey District, Kerala | 420 |
| 8 | Faridabad Gas based power project | Faridabad District, Haryana | 800 |
| 9 | Mangalore STPP Stag. '-I | Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka | 420 |
| 10 | Gandhar Gas based power project Stage-I / | Bharuch District, Gujarat | 650 |
| 11 | Godavari Gas based power project | Kakinada District, Andhra Pradesh | 800 |
| 12 | North Karanpura STPP Stage-1 | Ranchi District, Bihar | 1000 |

**Spread of meningitis in Madhya Pradesh**

32. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: iSHRE MAHENDRA PRASAD: SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press reports $t_0$ the effect that 12 districts of Madhya Pradesh $ar_e$ currently in the grip of meningitis; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by $th_e$ Central Government to render necessary help to the $Stat_e$ Government to combat $th_e$ disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid $_0$n the $Tabl_e$ of $th_e$ Sabha.

33. [Transferred *to the* 8th *May.* 1990]

**सीमेंट के उत्पादन के लक्ष्य**

**34. डा० जितेन्द्र कुमार जैन :**
**श्री राम जेठमलानी :**

क्या **उद्योग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गत वित्तीय वर्ष के दौरान सीमेन्ट का उत्पादन निर्धारित लक्ष्य की तुलना में कम हुआ था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सीमेन्ट के उत्पादन का कितना लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया था और कितनी मात्रा का वास्तव में उत्पादन किया गया और क्या यह भी सच है कि देश में सीमेन्ट उत्पादन के लिए स्थापित क्षमता का पूरा उपयोग नहीं किया जा रहा है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(घ) सरकार द्वारा चालू वर्ष के लिए सीमेन्ट के उत्पादन का क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है ?

**उद्योग मंत्री (श्री अजीत सिंह) :** (क) से (ग) वर्ष 1989-90 के लिए निर्धारित 490 लाख मी० टन सीमेंट उत्पादन के लक्ष्य की तुलना में 456 लाख मी. टन (अनंतिम) उत्पादन हुआ । पिछले वर्ष 77 प्रतिशत की तुलना में इस वर्ष के दौरान 78.60 प्रतिशत क्षमता उपयोग का अनुमान लगाया गया है । यदि मांग और अवस्थापना संबंधी बाधाएं न होती तो क्षमता उपयोग और भी ज्यादा होता ।